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SUBJECT: ICAO AIR SECURITY CONVENTION

REFS: (A) STATE 184996; (B) STATE 182885

1. INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL A NEED CLARIFICATION IN ONE
RESPECT RELATED TO INTERPRETATION OF PARA 6 AND 7(E). AS
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DEPT IS UNAWARE WHAT FORM PROVISIONS OF INDEPENDENT

CONVENTION MAY ULTIMATELY TAKE, WE MUST ENVISAGE POSSIBILITY FINAL DRAFT MAY, IN TOTO, CONSTITUTE BACKWARD RATHER THAN FORWARD STEP. (FOR EXAMPLE, IF ENTRY INTO FORCE IS MORE THAN 10 STATES, DEPT BELIEVES INDEPENDENT CONVENTION COULD REPRESENT OBSTACLE TO, RATHER THAN FACILITATION OF, EXAMINATION OF STATE CONDUCT RELATING TO AVIATION SECURITY CASES.) THEREFORE, PRIOR TO FINAL VOTE, ON ADOPTION OF INDEPENDENT CONVENTION AS WHOLE, DEPT REQUESTS DEL CABLE COMPLETE DRAFT FOR REVIEW AND INSTRUCTION FROM DEPT WHETHER NEGATIVE, POSITIVE OR ABSTENTION VOTE REQUIRED. IF TIME DOES NOT PERMIT THIS PRIOR TO FINAL VOTE, REQUEST DEL CALL DEPT. CONFERENCE CALL WILL BE ARRANGED INVOLVING EB, IO, AND L BUREAUS. DEL CALL SHOULD BE PUT THROUGH TO DR. MOREY.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE CABLE IMMEDIATELY FROM DEL DESCRIBING LIKELY PARAMETERS OF INDEPENDENT CONVENTION WHICH WOULD EMERGE SO DEPT CAN CONSIDER PRELIMINARY VIEWS.

3. WITH RESPECT TO FINAL ASSEMBLY CONFERENCE STATEMENT OF USDEL ASSESSING ROME MEETINGS, DEPT REQUESTS CABLING OF DRAFT TO ENABLE DEPT COMMENT PRIOR TO DELIVERY IF TIME WILL PERMIT. (FOR EXAMPLE, IF ALL FINAL STATEMENTS ARE TO BE MADE ON FRIDAY PRIOR TO SIGNATURE.) WE RECOGNIZE DEMANDS ON DEL WEDS.-THURS MAY MAKE THIS IMPOSSIBLE. IN THIS RESPECT, AS INDICATED PARA 2 REFTEL (B), WE ALSO NEED FINAL DRAFT SOVIET PROTOCOL TO BE CABLED SUFFICIENTLY IN ADVANCE FOR CONSIDERATION OF US STATEMENT ON RECORD RELATING TO IT. IF TIME DOES NOT PERMIT, DEPT WILL WISH US FINAL STATEMENT TO UNDERSCORE LIMITED ACCOMPLISHMENTS (AND FAILURES) OF ROME MEETINGS. IN PARTICULAR, IT SHOULD ASSURE THAT THERE WOULD BE NO POSSIBILITY THAT US COULD BE ASSOCIATED WITH ATTEMPTS TO PAPER-OVER ROME RESULTS AS SIGNIFICANT RESPONSE TO AIR SECURITY PROBLEM. STATEMENT OBVIOUSLY WILL DEPEND ON CONFIDENTIAL

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FINAL TEXTS AND US VOTES, BUT WE REGARD TONE STATEMENT ULTIMATELY TAKES TO BE OF GREAT IMPORTANCE.

4. IF RESOLUTION IS PROPOSED (PARA 8 REFTEL A), FOLLOW GUIDELINES AS PER PARA 1. RUSH

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